Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act

HIPAA County Transaction Rule Solutions Conference: Medicaid HIPAA Update

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Wisconsin Medicaid Update

- Medicaid Status
- Impact on Medicaid Providers
- Testing and Certification
- Medicaid Billing Software
- Medicaid Resources
- Transition to National Codes



Wisconsin Medicaid Update Medicaid Status

- Continuing internal testing
- Beginning trading partner testing
- Testing claims submission software
- Issuing provider publications
- Sending out trading partner agreements and trading partner profiles



- HIPAA Affects All Providers!
- Medicaid will use standard HIPAA transactions for all providers
- Medicaid will continue to accept paper claims submissions. Providers are reminded that Medicare will be requiring electronic submission of claims, with limited exceptions



- Providers choosing to submit claims on paper will be affected by changes in claims submission requirements
- Local codes will be replaced with national codes
 - Procedure codes
 - Modifiers
 - Place of service codes
 - Diagnosis codes
- Type of service codes eliminated



- Prior authorization (PA) forms and instructions will be revised
 - Type of service codes eliminated
 - Up to four modifiers



- Content and format of the paper Remittance and Status Report will be modified
 - No Type of service
 - Up to 4 modifiers
 - Dollar amounts that are a maximum of 10 digits
 - Finalized prior authorizations and claims pending more than 30 days will no longer be reported



- Wisconsin Medicaid will be sending out a Trading Partner Letter, Trading Partner Agreement (TPA) and Profile Form to each billing provider.
- Completion of the TPA and Profile Form will be required in order to exchange any electronic transaction with Medicaid (e.g., eligibility verification)



- Requirement to submit trading partner documents applies to:
 - Billing providers that exchange any electronic transactions directly with Wisconsin Medicaid
 - Billing services and clearinghouses that exchange electronic transactions directly with Wisconsin Medicaid on behalf of a billing provider, Family Care CMO or special managed care program



- The Trading Partner Profile only needs to be completed by those that directly exchange the electronic transactions with Wisconsin Medicaid, including providers who use the free claims submission software. The Trading Partner Profile indicates which transactions will be exchanged with Wisconsin Medicaid.
- The Trading Partner Agreement, unlike the profile, must be signed by every provider that submits any electronic transaction to Medicaid.



- The Trading Partner Profile must be completed prior to testing and must be received prior to September 1, 2003.
- Agreements or profiles received after September 1 could result in a delay in processing HIPPA transactions (i.e., pay claims).
- Follow-up with your vendor or billing service to be sure they have completed the profile.



- All vendors and providers directly exchanging HIPAA transactions with Wisconsin Medicaid will be required to test using specific scenarios prior to being approved for submission.
- While Wisconsin Medicaid will validate for X12 structure and content, we will only assist with diagnosing the test information specific to Wisconsin Medicaid program requirements.



- Trading partners are encouraged, but not required, to test with a third party certification vendor for X12 structure and data content validation.
- Just because you may be certified with a third party does not mean you do not have to test with Wisconsin Medicaid.



Wisconsin Medicaid Update Medicaid Billing Software

- Wisconsin Medicaid will offer HIPAA-compliant Provider Electronic Solutions (PES) electronic claims submission software to providers at no charge.
- PES allows for submission of 837 Professional, Institutional and Dental claims, not NCPDP claims.
- Applicable system requirements in the December 2002 HIPAA inSight.
- Software will be available on CD
- Software is intended for billing Medicaid, and is not intended for claims submitted to other payers.

DHES

Wisconsin Medicaid Update Medicaid Billing Software

- Billing software is <u>not</u> a HIPAA solution.
- Providers may still be required to collect and store additional data in order to use the billing software.
- Release expected in August 2003
- Will automatically be sent to all billers using current free software
- Will be announced in *Medicaid and BadgerCare Update* when software is available

Medicaid and BadgerCare Update

- Provider-specific HIPAA information
 - Revised claim form instructions
 - Revised prior authorization instructions and forms
 - Code crosswalks (e.g., procedure codes, modifiers)
 - Implementation schedules for claims and prior authorization
- Published starting in May 2003

Companion Documents

- Further define Implementation Guides (IG)
- One companion document for each HIPAA transaction
- Examples of companion document information:
 - Transmission methods
 - Compliance testing requirements
 - Submission methods
 - Medicaid-specific billing requirements



Training

- Statewide provider training in May and June 2003
- Online registration available at www.dhfs.state.wi.us/Medicaid



Training

Topics included in training:

- Changes to paper claims submission
- Changes to claims adjustments
- Changes to PA requests
- Changes to R/S Reports
- Local code crosswalks to national code sets
- HIPAA Reason and Remark Codes which are replacing current EOB codes



Wisconsin Medicaid Update Transition to National Codes

- Local codes are used to meet unique program needs
- Use of all local codes is prohibited under HIPAA
- Many types of codes are affected by this change:
 - Procedure Codes
 - Diagnosis Codes
 - Place of Service Codes
 - EOB Codes



Wisconsin Medicaid Update Transition to National Codes

- Many services provided by county agencies use local codes (e.g., case management, CSP, mental health and AODA)
- Providers will be notified of changes in coding through Medicaid and BadgerCare Updates



Wisconsin Medicaid Update Transition to National Codes

- A crosswalk has been developed for local codes/national codes/SPC codes.
- Crosswalk is being reviewed within the Department.
- Crosswalk will be made available when finalized.



Wisconsin Medicaid Update Conclusion

- www.dhfs.state.wi.us/medicaid
- Check regularly for:
 - Medicaid and BadgerCare Updates
 - Companion Documents
 - Trading Partner Information



Wisconsin Medicaid Update

Questions?

